## Dear Kentucky Supplemental Services Providers:

In accordance with the Supplemental Educational Services Non-Regulatory Guidance issued June 13, 2005, section C-7 states that "All providers should be evaluated in the same way and meet the same criteria for inclusion on the State list". With this in mind, we have made changes to Kentucky's application and monitoring process that will affect present and future providers. These changes will require all presently approved providers to reapply under the new guidelines.

The new Application for Kentucky Supplemental Educational Services Providers is in alignment with NCLB guidance and clarifies several points from the previous application. The main changes in the application include, but are not limited to:

- a. Questions that require more in-depth information;
- b. Requirements for how on-going assessment will be provided;
- c. A refined explanation of responsibilities of all parties involved;
- d. An increased minimum score for approval;
- e. More clearly defined staff requirements;
- f. A new category for approval to allow community-based, faith-based, and new organizations the opportunity to provide services; and
- g. More clearly defined assessment process.

We look forward to continuing to work with you as we strive to get all of our students to proficiency by 2014. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Claude Christian <a href="mailto:cwchristi@kde.state.ky.us">cwchristi@kde.state.ky.us</a> or Dawn Offutt <a href="mailto:doffutt@kde.state.ky.us">doffutt@kde.state.ky.us</a> or by calling (502) 564-3791.

Thank you,

Gene Wilhoit, Commissioner